

**TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA
SPECIAL TOWN COMMISSION MEETING
2nd Public Budget Hearing
Jarvis Hall
4505 Ocean Drive
Tuesday, September 29, 2014
6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER, MAYOR SCOT SASSER

Mayor Scot Sasser called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Also present were Commissioner Mark Brown, Commissioner Stuart Dodd, Commissioner Elliot Sokolow, Town Manager Connie Hoffmann, Town Attorney Susan L. Trevarthen, Finance Director Tony Bryan, and Town Clerk Tedra Smith.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. RESOLUTIONS – PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. **Resolution 2014-39 – A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, Florida, establishing and adopting the final Town Ad Valorem Tax Millage Rate at 3.8000 Mills per thousand dollars of taxable assessed value, which is 3.05% more than the rolled back rate computed pursuant to State Law, for the 2014 tax year; providing for conflicts, providing for severability; providing for an effective date (Tony Bryan, Finance Director)**

At this time Mayor Sasser opened public comment.

Ron Piersante, resident, stated that he took exception to comments made by a member of the public at the previous budget hearing. He pointed out that the Town is tied for the third-lowest millage rate in the County, and that the difference in his taxes if the rollback rate was adopted would be less than \$20 in savings.

Roseann Minnet, resident, urged the Town Commission to continue to reinvest in the community to help both the Town's residents and businesses.

As there were no other individuals wishing to speak on this Item, Mayor Sasser closed public comment.

Commissioner Brown noted that the Town went through many years without making needed improvements to its infrastructure, and has begun a capital improvement plan in recent years. In order to continue this plan, the Town must keep tight control of its funds.

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Town Manager Connie Hoffmann advised that the entire difference in revenues generated by the proposed 3.8000 millage rate and the roll back rate will be used toward the increase in the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) budget. In response to Commissioner Sokolow's question, she advised that the General Fund Contingency account will be \$207,453 in the budget.

Commissioner Sokolow made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dodd, to adopt the Resolution. Motion carried 5-0.

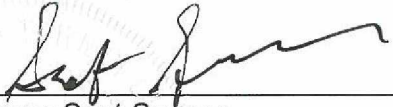
- b. Resolution 2014-40 – A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, Florida, adopting the attached final Town Budget for the 2014/2015 Fiscal Year; providing for conflicts, providing for severability; providing for an effective date (Tony Bryan, Finance Director)**

At this time Mayor Sasser opened public comment, which he closed upon receiving no input.

Commissioner Brown made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sokolow, to approve. Motion carried 5-0.

4. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Commission at this time, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



Mayor Scot Sasser

ATTEST:



Town Clerk Tedra Smith

10/28/14

Date